

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image forming apparatus, comprising:
  - a photosensitive body;
  - a cleaning member that removes contaminants adhering to a surface of the photosensitive body by contacting and pressing the surface of the photosensitive body;
  - a moving device that moves the cleaning member between a position where the cleaning member contacts the surface of the photosensitive body and a position where the cleaning member is positioned at a distance from the surface of the photosensitive body; and
  - a controller that controls the moving device at a predetermined timing for contacting the cleaning member to the surface of the photosensitive body.
2. The image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the predetermined timing is a time at which an image forming operation is not performed, and the controller controls the moving device so that the cleaning member contacts the surface of the photosensitive body at the timing.
3. The image forming apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the predetermined timing is at least one of the time at which the toner empty indication is provided, the indication of toner empty is removed, the time at which a predetermined number of sheets has been printed, the time while the image forming apparatus is warmed up, and the time at which the image forming apparatus is turned on.
4. The image forming apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:
  - a developing agent holding member that holds a developing agent to be supplied to the photosensitive body; and
  - a transfer device that transfers the developing agent supplied to the photosensitive body onto a recording medium, wherein the controller controls the moving device so that the cleaning member contacts the surface of the photosensitive body after a position, at which the transfer of the developing agent on the photosensitive drum to the recording medium is completed, reaches the developing agent holding member.
5. The image forming apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the cleaning member includes a contacting member that contacts the photosensitive body and a support member that supports the contacting member.
6. The image forming apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the support member includes an elastic body and the contacting member is made of a fiber material.
7. The image forming apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the contacting member includes paper made from a fiber material.

8. The image forming apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the contacting member includes paper made from a cellulosic fiber.

9. The image forming apparatus according to claim 8, wherein the contacting member includes paper which is made from only virgin pulp with 15% or less by weight of a filler mixed therein.

10. A processing unit, comprising:  
a photosensitive body;  
a cleaning member that removes contaminants adhering to a surface of the photosensitive body by contacting and pressing the surface of the photosensitive body; and  
a moving device that moves the cleaning member between a position where the cleaning member contacts the surface of the photosensitive body and a position where the cleaning member is positioned at a distance from the surface of the photosensitive body, wherein the cleaning member includes a contacting member that contacts the photosensitive body and a support member that supports the contacting member.

11. The processing unit according to claim 10, wherein the support member includes an elastic body and the contacting member is made of a fiber material.

12. The processing unit according to claim 11, wherein the contaminant removing portion includes paper made from the fiber material.

13. The processing unit according to claim 12, wherein the contacting member includes paper made from a cellulosic fiber.

14. The processing unit according to claim 13, wherein the contacting member includes paper which is made from only virgin pulp with 15% or less by weight of a filler mixed therein.

15. The processing unit according to claim 10, wherein the moving member includes a pressing member that presses the cleaning member toward the photosensitive body.

16. The processing unit according to claim 15, further comprising a developing agent holding member that is disposed so as to face the photosensitive body and holds a developing agent to be supplied to the photosensitive body, wherein the cleaning member is disposed between the photosensitive body and the developing agent holding member.

17. The processing unit according to claim 16, further comprising a holding member support member that supports the developing agent holding member, wherein the cleaning member is attached to and detached from the holding member support member, and the pressing member presses the holding member support member toward the photosensitive body.

18. The processing unit according to claim 16, further comprising a photosensitive body support member that supports the photosensitive body, wherein the cleaning member is attached to and detached from the photosensitive body support member, and the pressing member presses the holding member support member toward the photosensitive body.

19. A processing device, comprising:  
 a photosensitive body;  
 a developing agent holding member that is provided so as to face the photosensitive body and holds a developing agent to be supplied to the photosensitive body;  
 and  
 a contaminant removing member that is provided between the photosensitive body and the developing agent holding member and removes contaminants adhering to the photosensitive body by contacting a surface of the photosensitive body.

20. A developing unit, comprising:  
 a container that houses a developing agent;  
 a developing agent holding member that holds the developing agent;  
 a holding member support member that supports the developing agent holding member; and  
 a contaminant removing member that is detachably attached to the holding member support member.

21. A processing device, comprising:  
 a photosensitive body;  
 a photosensitive body support member that supports the photosensitive body; and  
 a developing unit that is attached to and detached from the photosensitive body support member; the developing unit comprising:  
 a container that houses a developing agent;  
 a developing agent holding member that holds the developing agent;  
 a holding member support member that supports the developing agent holding member; and  
 a contaminant removing member that is detachably attached to the holding member support member.

22. The processing device according to claim 21, wherein the contaminant removing member is positioned between the photosensitive body and the developing agent

holding member in a state where the developing unit is attached to the photosensitive body support member.

23. A contaminant removing member, comprising:
  - a contaminant removing portion that is made of the fiber material; and
  - a support member that supports the contaminant removing portion.
24. The contaminant removing member according to claim 23, wherein the contacting member includes paper made from a fiber material.
25. The contaminant removing member according to claim 24, wherein the contacting member includes paper made from a cellulosic fiber.
26. The contaminant removing member according to claim 25, wherein the contacting member includes paper which is made from only virgin pulp with 15% or less by weight of a filler mixed therein.
27. The contaminant removing member according to claim 23, further comprising an elastic body interposed between the contaminant removing portion and the support portion.
28. An image forming apparatus, comprising:
  - a developing agent holding member that holds an developing agent;
  - a photosensitive body that is disposed to face the developing agent holding member and holds a developing agent image;
  - an intermediate transfer body onto which the developing agent image held by the photosensitive body is transferred;
  - a contaminant removing member that is provided between the photosensitive body and the intermediate transfer body so as to be movable between a position where the contaminant removing member contacts a surface of the intermediate transfer body and a position where the contaminant removing member is positioned at a distance from the surface of the intermediate transfer body.